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| In re Application of: | : | |
| Dexter V. Bautista, Thomas Roger | : | DECISION GRANTING |
| Meinardi and Joshua Robert Powell | : | STATUS UNDER |
| Application No. 10/678,186 | : | 37 CFR 1.47(a) |
| Filed: October 6, 2003 | : | |
| Title of Invention: ULTRASONIC | : | |
| SENSOR FOR DETECTING THE | : | |
| DISPENSING OF A PRODUCT | : | |

This is in response to a Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47, filed May 27, 2004, to allow the other inventor(s) to proceed with the application on behalf of himself or herself and the nonsigning inventor. The petition is properly treated under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

The petition is granted.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.


Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor, Dexter V. Bautista, refuses to join in the application.

As provided in Rule 1.47(a), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the addresses given in the Petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The oath/declaration has been entered and made of record.

The application file is being returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for continued processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0014.


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